

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE TIPPECANOE COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD NOVEMBER 7, 1973.

The Tippecanoe County Drainage Board met in the County Commissioner's Room in the County Court House at 9:00 a.m. on November 7, 1973. Those in attendance were: Edward Shaw, Bruce Osborn, Robert Fields, A. D. Ruth, Jr., Fred Hoffman and Gladys Ridder.

Minutes Approved Upon motion of Edward Shaw and seconded by Robert Fields, the minutes of the October 3rd, 1973 were approved as read.

Business Meeting A discussion of a petition Mrs. Alberta Taylor Bennett had requested was mentioned, as nothing has been done to any degree and no one appeared before the Board in it's behalf. Also a mention of the Resolution prepared by Mr. Fred Hoffman, County Attorney and taken to the City Hall for presentation to the Board of Works, had not come back to the Board. This resolution was to give the jurisdiction of the Hoefer ditch which lays solely within the Corporate limits of the City of Lafayette, to the City of Lafayette. A discussion on the need for better drainage in an area lying north of the City of West Lafayette was entertained by the Surveyor, Drainage Board and County Attorney.

Maintenance Hearing on the William F. Grimes vs Monk Ditch at 9:30 a.m. The Surveyor opened the Maintenance hearing on the Wm. F. Grimes vs Monk Ditch by reading his report and making recommendations to the Board. Mr. Ruth told the Board and those present, that the headwall of this ditch was so badly broken down that only reconstruction would be recommend, and at this time not even that for the part of the ditch draining the farmland was working. He had had no complaints from any of the farmers. He said in talking to the different farmers out there those farmers felt it would be wise to leave it alone until it had to be reconstructed and then set a maintenance. Those present were: Ione C. Davis, Florence Grimes and Ray Leonard. Mr. Shaw asked their feelings on the Surveyor's recommendation and they said they felt it was good advice. Mr. Leonard said he only wanted to establish one thing and that was that this ditch remain a Legal Drain. The County Attorney assured him it would remain a Legal drain until all of the property owners petitioned to make it otherwise. Upon motion by Edward Shaw, seconded by Robert Fields and made unanimous by Bruce Osborn the Board moved to postpone a maintenance fund on this ditch until it could be reconstructed.

10:00 a.m. Vacation Hearing on William A. Tyler Ditch The Engineer opened the hearing on the William A. Tyler ditch by reading his report recommending vacation of this ditch. He also read a letter from the only landowner involved with the William A. Tyler ditch namely Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Thayer requesting this ditch by vacated. They said the ditch was no longer functioning and did not benefit them in any way. Upon motion by Bruce Osborn, seconded by Robert Fields and made unanimous by Edward Shaw the Board so moved to vacate the William A. Tyler ditch.

10:30 a.m. N. W. Bowen Ditch Vacation Hearing The Engineer opened the hearing on the Nathaniel W. Bowen ditch vacation by reading a letter from the people in this watershed. The landowners are Marion and Henrietta Carter and the contract buyers are Albert and Anna Bosma. This ditch has served no purpose for some time and their request to vacate was respected by the Board. Upon motion by Bruce Osborn, seconded by Robert Fields and made unanimous by Edward Shaw, the Board so moved to vacate.

On motion made and carried the meeting adjourned.

Gladys Ridder  
Gladys Ridder, Exec. Secretary

Edward Shaw  
Edward Shaw, Chairman

Robert Fields  
Robert Fields, Vice Chairman

Bruce Osborn  
Bruce Osborn, Board Member